

ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH

PARROQUIA SANTA ROSA DE LIMA

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PRAY... GROW... SERVE / ORAR... CRECER... SERVIR

EUCCHARIST / EUCARISTIA

Historic Chapel / Capilla Histórica

Monday-Friday ----- 8:30 am----- (English)
1er Viernes ----- 7:00 pm----- (Español)
Sunday ----- 7:30 am----- (English)
1er Dimanche ----- 10:00 am----- (Français)
2nd Sunday ----- 5:00 pm----- (Tagalog)

Church / Iglesia

Saturday Vigil ----- 5:00 pm----- (English)
Sunday ----- 9:00 am----- (English + ASL)
11:00 am----- (English)
Domingo ----- 1:00 pm----- (Español)

RECONCILIATION / RECONCILIACION

Historic Chapel / Capilla Histórica

Thursday ----- 7:00-9:00 pm---- (English/Español)

Church / Iglesia

Saturday ----- 4:00-4:30 pm----- (English)
Domingo ----- 2:15-3:15 pm----- (Español)

NEWCOMERS / NUEVOS MIEMBROS

Meeting - Duggan Room / Reunión - Salón Duggan

2o Domingo ----- 12:00 pm----- (Español)
2nd Sunday ----- 12:15 pm----- (English)

OTHER SERVICES / OTROS SERVICIOS

Stephen Ministry

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Accessibility / Fácil Acceso: Hearing systems, accessible seating, large print worship guides and ASL interpretation are available. / Aparatos amplificadores de sonido y asientos accesibles están disponibles.

BAPTISM / BAUTISMO

Begin classes while pregnant or awaiting adoption. Baptisms will not be scheduled until classes have been completed (2 sessions required). Parents MUST pre-register to attend. CLASS DATES: **2018:** Jan. 13 & 20, Mar. 10 & 17, May 12 & 19, Sept. 15 & 22, Nov. 10 & 17

Comience las clases cuando este embarazada o esperando una adopción. Los Bautizos no se podrán programar hasta que las clases hayan sido completadas (Se requieren 2 sesiones). Los padres TIENEN que pre-registrarse para atender. FECHAS DE CLASES: **2018:** Ene. 13 & 20, Mar. 10 & 17, May. 12 & 19, Sep. 15 & 22, Nov. 10 & 17

MARRIAGE / MATRIMONIO

Couples seeking marriage must make arrangements with a Priest or Deacon a minimum of six months prior to setting a wedding date. Do not plan a reception until you have met with the Priest or Deacon. At least one party must be a member of St. Rose.

Las parejas que buscan el matrimonio deben hacer arreglos con un sacerdote o diácono con un mínimo de 6 meses antes de fijar una fecha para la boda. No planifique una recepción sino hasta que se haya reunido con el sacerdote o el diácono. Al menos una persona debe ser miembro de Sta. Rosa.

JANUARY 14, 2018

ORDINARY TIME II



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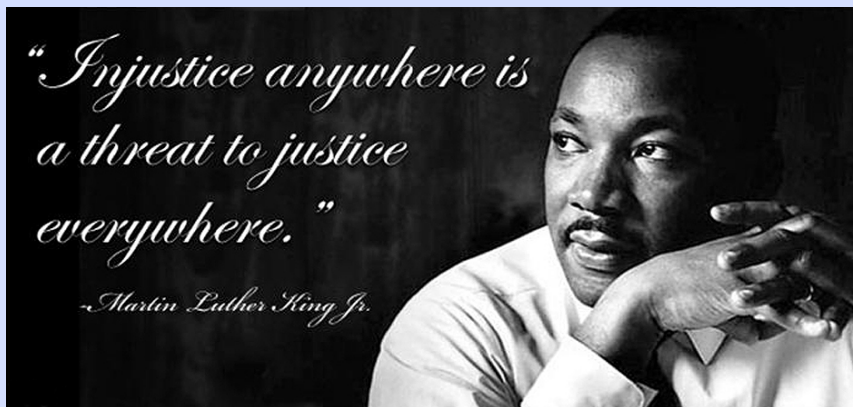
BULLETIN / CALENDAR / ROOM RESERVATIONS

Bulletin items due at noon, 2 Fridays before publication date!
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RENTAL EVENTS / ALQUILER PARA EVENTOS

Quinceañeras, Wedding Receptions, Parties & More!
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Website----- www.maryofnazareth.org



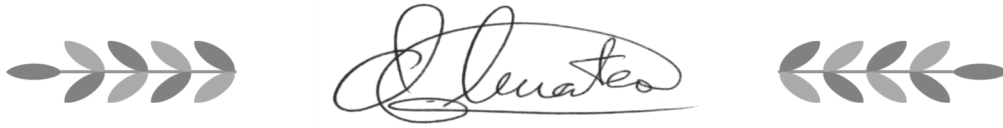
*"Injustice anywhere is
a threat to justice
everywhere."*

-Martin Luther King Jr.

*"If you want peace,
work for justice."*

Pope Paul VI
January 1, 1972

WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR / PALABRAS DE NUESTRO PASTOR



Near Nazareth a great spiritual renewal was in progress. St. John the Baptist, a humble man, was preaching repentance to his followers because the long awaited Messiah was coming. Many gathered to hear what he had to say and many were baptized in the Jordan River.

One day Jesus appeared at the river and presented Himself for baptism. He waited His turn and was baptized by John. The scenario is hard for us to understand: Jesus standing in line? Jesus, the Lord of life being baptized with sinners? Jesus being baptized by John?

His baptism represents and expresses His "yes" as He freely accepts the work of salvation given to Him by the Father. He was also declaring that He was the Son of God. Jesus is like us in all things but sin. He had identified Himself with those He had come to serve and save. He never set Himself apart from our human condition. His mission began that day at the Jordan River and will conclude on Mount Calvary.

Through His baptism Jesus identified Himself with our humanity. Through our own baptism we identify ourselves with Him. Our baptism is the beginning of "a process of conversion" that lasts a lifetime. It is a daily experience of transformation that leads from my will, my way and my convenience to doing God's will in His time and His way, responding to His love.

Being anointed with the Holy Spirit and having His power, we too are to go about doing good works and healing all who are in need. We use the power given us by the Spirit to bring peace, forgiveness, love and justice to our tired and troubled world. We are to be a light that shatters the darkness of selfishness, dishonesty and sin. We are to open the eyes of those who are blinded by doubt, confusion and despair. We are to comfort those who are bruised by the worries and cares of every day life. We are to help those held captive by their poverty, their lack of food or employment. Yes, you and I are called to change by our care, concern and love for our neighbor.

We must never forget that we are God's chosen ones, the favored sons and daughters whom He has called to a baptism of repentance. The biblical meaning of that word "repentance" is not beating up on ourselves for all our past mistakes and sinfulness but has the notion of seeing something new, a whole new way of living. It is doing something different than what we are presently doing.

Cerca de Nazaret estaba en curso una gran renovación espiritual. San Juan Bautista, un hombre humilde, estaba predicando a sus seguidores arrepentimiento porque el esperado Mesías venía. Muchas personas se reunieron para escuchar lo que él tenía que decir y muchos se bautizaron en el río Jordan.

Un día, Jesús apareció a ese río y se presentó a sí mismo para el bautismo. Él esperó su turno y fue bautizado por Juan. El escenario es difícil para nosotros entender: ¿Jesús parado en la fila? Jesús, el Señor de la vida siendo bautizado con pecadores? Jesús siendo bautizado por Juan?

Su bautismo representa y expresa su "sí" al aceptar libremente la obra de salvación que le ha dado el Padre. Él también estaba declarando que Él era el Hijo de Dios. Jesús es como nosotros en todo excepto en el pecado. Se identificó con aquellos a quienes había venido a servir y a salvar. Él nunca se apartó de nuestra condición humana. Su misión comenzó ese día en el río Jordán y concluirá en el Monte Calvario.

A través de Su bautismo, Jesús se identificó a Sí mismo con nuestra humanidad. A través de nuestro propio bautismo, nos identificamos con él. Nuestro bautismo es el comienzo de "un proceso de conversión" que dura toda la vida. Es una experiencia diaria de transformación que deriva de mi voluntad, mi manera y a mi conveniencia de hacer la voluntad de Dios en Su tiempo y Su camino, respondiendo a Su amor.

Al ser ungidos con el Espíritu Santo y tener Su poder, nosotros también debemos hacer buenas obras y sanar a todos los que lo necesiten. Usamos el poder que nos ha dado el Espíritu para traer paz, perdón, amor y justicia a nuestro mundo cansado y atribulado. Debemos ser una luz que rompa la oscuridad del egoísmo, la deshonestidad y el pecado. Debemos abrir los ojos de aquellos que están cegados por la duda, la confusión y la desesperación. Debemos consolar a aquellos que están heridos por las preocupaciones y preocupaciones de la vida cotidiana. Debemos ayudar a los cautivos por su pobreza, su falta de alimentos o empleo. Sí, usted y yo estamos llamados a cambiar con nuestro cuidado, preocupación y amor por nuestro prójimo.

Nunca debemos olvidar que somos los elegidos de Dios, los hijos e hijas favorecidos a quienes Él ha llamado a un bautismo de arrepentimiento. El significado bíblico de la palabra "arrepentimiento" no nos está golpeando a nosotros mismos por todos nuestros errores pasados y pecaminosidad, sino que tiene la noción de ver algo nuevo, una forma de vida completamente nueva. Está haciendo algo diferente de lo que estamos haciendo actualmente.



NEXT WEEK / LA PROXIMA SEMANA

CALENDAR / CALENDARIO

Not all meetings & events appear on this calendar!

MONDAY, JANUARY 15 | MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY

Parish Offices Closed

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

No Events Scheduled

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

6:30 pm HS MOHO - Ministry of Hanging Out (YC)

6:30 pm Flower of Carmel (STJ)

7:00 pm Comité Hispano (LR)

7:00 pm Catechist Training (DGN)

7:00 pm Liturgical Ministries Committee (BR2)

7:30 pm Pax Christi (STP)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration until 9:00 pm (HC)

1:00 pm Jubilee Quilters (LR)

7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (CH)

7:00 pm Maria Auxiliadora Coro Practica (LR2)

7:30 pm Yarn Angels Knitting & Crocheting (STP)

7:30 pm Legión de Maria (JE)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

6:00 pm Grupo de Oración (DGN/STJ/OLCC)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

6:30 am That Man Is You (CH)

8:00 am Cleaning Ministry (CH/CHF)

8:30 am Baptismal Preparation: Session 2 (DGN/HC)

8:30 am Formación para Lectores - Equipo C (HC)

9:30 am Lector Formation - Team C (HC)

10:30 am Preparación para Bautizo: Sesión 2 (CH)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21 | ORDINARY TIME III

9:30 am Gr. 7-12 Religious Education (CHLL/BR/YC)

11:15 am Grupo de Jóvenes (YC)

11:30 am Grupo de Oración: Estudio Bíblico (BR2)

1:00 pm Legion of Mary (JE)

2:00 pm Formación: Ministros de la Eucaristía (DGN)

5:00 pm Adaptive Religious Education (CHLL/LR)

LITURGY SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE LITURGIA

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time/

3^{er} Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

January 20/21, 2018

Masses/Celebrants:

Sat., 5:00 pm (CH) Fr. Justin Huber

Sun., 7:30 am (HC) Fr. Francis Russo

Sun., 9:00 am (CH) Fr. Justin Huber

Sun., 11:00 am (CH) Fr. Agustín Mateo

Sun., 1:00 pm (CH) Fr. Agustín Mateo (español)

Scriptures:

Jonah 3:1-5,10 / 1 Cor. 7:29-31 / Mk. 1:14-20

Bread Bakers: Group 3 **Liturgical Ministers:** Team C

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

† *Deceased* * *Living*

Mon., 1/15 8:30 am † Deacon Kevin A. Butler, Sr.

Tue., 1/16 8:30 am † Carlos & Sara Yanguas

Wed., 1/17 8:30 am † José Carlos Yanguas

Thu., 1/18 8:30 am † Pat McCarthy

Fri., 1/19 8:30 am † Steven Maldarelli

Sat., 1/20 5:00 pm † Jim Byrne

Sun., 1/21 7:30 am † Mary C. Ryan

Sun., 1/21 9:00 am † Donato Rinaldi

Sun., 1/21 11:00 am † Anne Kinyenje

Sun., 1/21 1:00 pm La Virgen de la Altagracia



ONE SPIRIT



PLEASE PRAY FOR... / POR FAVOR RECE POR...

THE SICK / LOS ENFERMOS

Maria Alcivar, Cliff Arsenault, Maria Bruckner, Maddie Cabatic, José Camargo, Danna Cevallos, Lyn Dibble, Linda Edgeman, Jose Escalante, Ann Gradowski, Marta Guerrero, Gregory Hanks, Elsie Hebert, Carolina Kline, Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, Yanira Mancía, Linda Markle, Priscila Martinez, Jennette Mattero, Josie Mattero, Virginia Mendoza, Son Nguyen, Rafael Orellana, Gloria Ortwerth, Bob Quinlan, Maggie Quinlan, Martha Ramos, Camila Robbins Fonseca, Bunny Roncevic, Patricia Sattalo, Etmonia Sawyer, Fernando Servantes, Valentin Umanzor, Adela Valderrama, William Valentine, and Amy Williams.

THE DECEASED / LOS DIFUNTOS

Tyler Barrett, grandson of Lyn Arsenault; Stephen Emery Biro, father of Steve Biro; Bishop William G. Curlin; Ken Ficere, father of Nicole Callahan; Ronald Gadacz, father of Kathryn Bojczyk; and Mel Vineyard, husband of Mary Anna Vineyard.



WORSHIP / ADORACION

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION - MAKE A RETREAT!

If you have resolved to make a retreat in 2018, there are many retreat houses in the region that offer a variety of retreat experiences. Visit the websites to see what is scheduled or make arrangements for a private retreat.

Loyola Retreat House

Faulkner, MD; www.loyolaretreat.org

Our Lady of Bethesda

Bethesda, MD; www.bethesdacfd.org

Bon Secours Conference & Retreat Center

Marriottsville, MD; www.rccbbonsecours.com

Holy Cross Abbey

Berryville, VA; www.virginiatrappists.org

Franciscan Monastery Hermitage

Washington, DC; <https://myfranciscan.org/visit/hermitage>

The Dwelling Place

Fort Valley, VA; www.dwellingplaceva.com

Washington Retreat House

Washington, DC; www.graymoor.org/usa.html

Priest Field Pastoral Center

Kearneysville, WV; www.priestfield.org

FIND OTHERS

www.catholicretreats.net; www.findthedivine.com

TRUE IDENTITY IN CHRIST - A YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

Jan. 27 & 28, John Paul II National Shrine, 3900 Harewood Rd. NE, Wash. DC. All young adults (aged 18-30s) are invited to this retreat, which includes talks, small group reflection Eucharist Adoration, confession, Mass and more. The retreat is not an overnight retreat. COST: \$20.00 INFO & REGISTRATION: www.DCCatholic.org

DAILY MASS CANCELLATION POLICY

We follow Montgomery County Public Schools emergency closings (301-279-3673). If MCPS schools are delayed or closed, there is no weekday Mass.

FLU SEASON GUIDELINES

Please refrain from receiving from the chalice if you aren't feeling well. If you cannot attend Mass because of poor health or are "shut-in", consider viewing a televised Mass. The Archdiocese of Washington airs Sunday Mass filmed in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine, 10:30am, on WDCW-50 (Verizon: Ch. 3; Dish or Direct TV: Ch. 50); ABC Family airs Sunday Mass at 6:30am; Catholic TV broadcasts a weekly Mass from the Basilica of the National Shrine on Saturdays at 7:00pm and 11:30pm. Please use good judgment when evaluating your health status.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORERS NEEDED

Eucharistic Adoration is on Thursdays in the Historic Chapel. Adorers are needed, especially between the hours of 5:00 and 6:00pm. INFO: Abigail Morais, amorais327@gmail.com

SERVICE / SERVICIO



ST. ROSE TO RECEIVE OPENING DOORS AWARD

Each year, the National Catholic Partnership on Disability and Loyola Press recognizes a parish that demonstrates a deep commitment to parishioners with disabilities, providing access for full participation in all aspects of parish life: through sacramental preparation, participation, and celebration, catechetical ministry, social outreach, as well as community service. St. Rose is the 2017 winner! The award will be presented in mid-February.

YOUTH RALLY & MASS & MARCH FOR LIFE - #iStand4Life

Fri., Jan. 19, 2018. 6:00am - Drop Off at Shady Grove Metro. Depart for Capital One Arena, in Wash., DC, for Youth Rally, Confessions & Mass. Walk to the National Mall for the March for Life. Depart from Union Station Metro. 3:00pm - Pick Up from Shady Grove Metro. For youth in Grades 6-12. Adult Chaperones are needed! Limited spaces are available. Sign up now! INFO & REGISTRATION: www.strose-parish.org/mfl

ADULT & FAMILY RALLY & MARCH FOR LIFE

Fri., Jan. 19, 2018. The Adult & Family Rally is on the National Mall at 12th St. (between Madison Dr. & Jefferson Dr.), Wash., DC. Though St. Rose isn't formally organizing a group of adults and families (other than the youth events listed above) to attend, all are encouraged to attend on their own! SCHEDULE: 11:30am - Music Opening / 12:00pm - Rally Program / 1:00pm - March for Life on Constitution Ave. to the Supreme Court and U.S. Capitol. INFO: <http://marchforlife.org/mfl-2018/rally-march-info/>

MCCH MEN'S SHELTER MEAL

On Mon., Jan. 29, St. Rose will provide dinner for 200+ men at the Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless' men's shelter on Gude Drive. NEEDED: 20 meatball casseroles (recipe and foil pan provided); food donations for sides, salads, and desserts; volunteers to prepare food that day (Mon., Jan. 29), and drivers and servers. This is a wonderful opportunity for our parish community to help in this effort. SIGN UP: ► Online starting Jan. 14 - Signup Genius link on St. Rose website. ► Before and after Masses on Jan. 20/21. INFO: Anna Smink, annasmink@aol.com



MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

Mon., Jan. 15. Make it a day ON, not a day off! Honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. by participating in volunteer activities. There are many opportunities to do so. INFO & SIGN UP: Visit Montgomery County Volunteer

Center's website at <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/volunteercenter/volunteers/MLK.html>.



EDUCATION / EDUCACION

YOU'RE INVITED: OPEN HOUSE

Sun., Jan. 28, 2018

1:00-3:00pm

14131 Seneca Rd., Darnestown, MD 20878

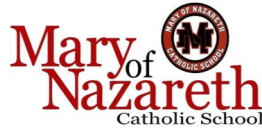
Children and parents are invited to visit classrooms, meet talented faculty, and tour the beautiful campus. RSVP to attend the Open House or to schedule a tour: <https://www.maryofnazareth.org/admissions/visit-us/>

Visit: www.maryofnazareth.org

Like: www.facebook.com/MoNCatholicSchool

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Call: (301) 869-0940



ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN IN JANUARY-STILL TIME!

The first class will be on Jan. 18. Adult Catholics (aged 18+) who have been baptized, received First Eucharist and are practicing their faith, but have not celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation, are invited to participate in this preparation program. *Those who have already been confirmed are also welcome to attend to learn more about the Catholic faith!* Classes will be held on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month, January-May. INFO & REGISTRATION: <http://strose-parish.org/adult-confirmation>

ARE YOU OR IS SOMEONE YOU KNOW...

► interested in becoming Catholic? ► a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized? ► baptized Catholic as a child, but have not yet celebrated Confirmation and Eucharist? Come together in a small group to learn more about our Catholic faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. INFO: Christine Jeffrey, 240-454-5312 or cjeffrey@strose.com

GET YOUR COPY OF AT HOME WITH THE WORD

This publication has the Sunday Scripture readings for the entire liturgical year, introductions to the Gospels, tips for studying and praying with scriptures, reflections and action ideas, and more. It is available from the Parish Office for \$8.00.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING ON JUST WAR THEORY

Tues., Jan. 30, 7:00pm, Lewis Room. Join us for this presentation on the Church's teaching on Just War theory, followed by a discussion about war and the way war is viewed. Some discussion questions will be based on Ken Burns' documentary on the Vietnam War. Presentation by Fr. Justin. Discussion facilitation by Mark Moitoza.

Q & A WITH FR. JUSTIN

Email your questions to:
fatherjustin@strose.com



QUESTION: What does it mean in the Our Father when we ask the Lord to "Lead us not into temptation?" Why would God tempt us to sin?

ANSWER: Although I received this question several months ago, it is very timely given the fact that Pope Francis has recently made some comments regarding the translation of the Our Father into modern languages. Specifically, the pope was asked a question about a recent French translation of the Our Father which altered these words.

The Lord's prayer can be found in two places within the New Testament: Matthew 6:9-13 and Luke 11:2-4. Translations of scriptural texts usually take Greek as their base language. (If you want to take a look, a current Greek critical edition of the New Testament can be found under the name Nestle-Aland.) The process of translation is typically more than simply a word-for-word substitution of one language for another. Instead, translation often involves converting overall concepts rather than individual words. Translating from one language to another almost always causes problems and this situation is no exception. While "lead us not into temptation" is a rather faithful literal translation, it does not precisely convey the meaning of Jesus's words.

Anyone who raises their eyebrows as the request "lead us not into temptation" possesses good theological instincts. It is certainly the case that God cannot tempt a person to commit evil because the act of tempting someone is itself an act of evil. God cannot commit evil because it would contradict His nature. However, we know that our Father in heaven, who loves us, does allow us to experience evil. We refer to this phenomenon of God allowing evil as his permissive will. God permits evil, but he never causes evil. (Why this is will be the subject for another article.)

Given this understanding of God's relationship to temptation, we can see the intended meaning of this penultimate petition of the Lord's prayer. We are asking God to not allow us to experience the time of trial. There are many gifts that God wants to give to us, but he wants us to ask for them so that we know from where they come.

THANK YOU PARTY / FIESTA DE AGRADECIMIENTO

Sat., Feb. 3, 6:30-10:00pm, Woodlands Room
Sabado, 3 de Febrero, 6:30-10:00pm, Salon Woodlands

Are you an adult (21 or older) who shared your gifts of Time and Talent with the St. Rose Community throughout 2017 (for example, Catechists, Liturgical Ministers, Music Ministers, Ministry Leaders, Christmas Fundraiser Volunteers, Fiesta Workers, etc.)? We hope to see you at the Thank You Party!

¿Es usted un adulto (21 años de edad o más) que compartió sus dones de Tiempo y Talento con la Comunidad de Santa Rosa a lo largo del 2017 (por ejemplo, Catequistas, Ministros Litúrgicos, Ministros de Música, Líderes de los Ministerios, Voluntarios para Recaudación de Fondos en Navidad, Trabajadores para Fiesta, etc.)? ¡Esperamos que venga a la Fiesta de Agradecimiento!

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS - CHECK IT OUT!

Come check out MOHO - Ministry of Hanging Out! This group of High School aged teens meets on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in our Youth Center for fellowship, faith, and fun!

YOUNG ADULTS - CHECK IT OUT!

270Catholic is a lively ministry of young adults (20s & 30s) in the I-270, Mont. Co. region seeking to grow closer to Christ. Monthly events include: ► Theology on Tap at The Barking Dog in Bethesda, 2nd Thursday of the month, 6:00pm; ► Christ in the City Holy Hour & Fellowship at St. Mary's in Rockville, last Tuesday of the month, 7:30pm. ► They also do monthly service events and have started lively small groups in the region. INFO: <http://270catholic.org>

TEA & ROSARY FOR MOTHERS

The John Paul II National Shrine, 3900 Harewood Rd. NE, Wash. DC, invites mothers to join their new apostolate, "Tea & Rosary for Mothers." Held monthly, 9:45am-12:00pm, these gatherings include a short presentation, lively discussions over breakfast, and meditating upon the mysteries of the Rosary. Babysitting and activities for young children (ages 2-12) are offered throughout the morning, so moms can enjoy the conversation and have an opportunity to go to confession. Everyone is welcome to stay for Mass at 12:00pm. INFO & RSVP: teaandarosary.eventbrite.com

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

"Samuel answered, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'" Practice listening better to God and your spouse by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend. The next local weekend is April 20-22, in Gaithersburg. REGISTRATION: welovematrimony.org or 301-541-7007.

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD – CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Pope Francis is continually calling us to be in dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet. His encyclical, *Laudato Si*, means "Praise be to you" which is the first line of a canticle by St. Francis that praised God with all his creation. One way you can actively participate in decisions that are made at a national level is to advocate. If you are interested in learning more, please visit the St. Rose Eco-Action webpage: www.strose-parish.org/eco-action-team. For information about the EPA's proposed repeal of the Clean Power Plan and how you can submit your comments regarding this issue (deadline is Jan. 15), contact the Eco-Action Team Ministry Leader, Pat Cuff, at pmcuff@aol.com.

COLLECTION FOR CHURCH MISSIONS IN THE UNITED STATES

January 13-14. This collection supports U.S. home mission dioceses that are unable to offer their people basic liturgical, pastoral, and service ministries without outside help. It also supports vulnerable Black and Native American communities with funds for parish support and evangelization needs. Donations may be placed in the specially marked Poor Boxes.

THANK YOU! / ¡GRACIAS!

TREASURE / TESORO Dec. 30, 2017 - Jan. 5, 2018

Your Gifts to the Lord

Offertory.....	\$35,490
Mortgage Reduction	\$2,200
Capital Campaign.....	\$715
Social Action.....	\$100
Gift Certificate Profit.....	\$196

Our Weekly Tithe

Parish Poor Box.....	\$1,774
Germantown HELP.....	\$250

Financial Fact

In 2017, your donations helped to support the following: AIM—\$6,000; Gaithersburg HELP—\$6,000; Germantown HELP—\$3,000; St. Vincent de Paul Society—\$5,250; UpCounty Comm. Resources—\$5,000; UMAN—\$12,000.

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Yarn Angels

The Mont. Co. Coalition for the Homeless received over 350 hats and scarves from our Yarn Angels for their clients. As hypothermia season sets in, these items are especially appreciated.